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FM AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3370

INFO AMCONSUL ASMARA

AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

C O N F I D E N T I A L ADDIS ABABA 2284

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS PFOR ET SU UR

SUBJECT: ETHIOPIAN FRAGMENTS

REF: ADDIS 2209

1. IN TOUR D' HORIZON FEBRUARY 25, WELL-PLACED MOFA OFFICIAL TOLD EMBOFF THAT LAND REFORM "OF A RADICAL NATURE" WOULD BE ANNOUNCED FEBRUARY 28 (CF. PARA 1 REFTEL). EMBOFF COMMENTED THAT SUCH AN ANNOUNCEMENT HAD OFT BEEN RUMORED BEFORE BUT NOTHING HAD HAPPENED. SOURCE AGREED BUT STATED CONVINCINGLY, "THIS TIME THEY (THE PMAC) ARE GOING TO DO IT."

2. SOURCE, WHO SPEAKS RUSSIAN AND IS A GOOD FRIEND OF SOVIET DIPLOMATS HERE, STATED THAT THE SOVIETS HAD REFUSED ETHIOPIAN REQUESTS FOR MILITARY ASSISTANCE. AS A RESULT, THEY FEEL THEMSELVES TO BE PERSONA NON GRATA AT MOFA. "I AM THE ONLY ONE HERE THAT THEY TALK TO NOW," HE SAID.

3. SOURCE STATED THAT THE EPMG HAS LEARNED THAT FORMER ERITREAN POLICE CHIEF GEN. GOITOM CROSSED INTO SUDAN WITH 300 FOLLOWERS (NOT NECESSARILY SOLDIERS). ACCORDING TO SOURCE,  
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GOITOM WANTED TO REMAIN IN KASSALA BUT GOS TOLD HIM THAT IF HE

WISHED ASYLUM, HE WOULD HAVE TO GO TO KHARTOUM.  
COMMENT: SOURCE TENDS TO BE LOQUACIOUS BUT IS WELL-PLACED AND  
INTELLIGENT. WE BELIEVE THE FOREGOING IS PROBABLY RELIABLE.  
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